State and some correspondence between the Cochin Government and the Government of Travancore? The Government will also please state whether they have any information that the Travancore Government have arranged to construct a bund somewhere in the Kaniavalli Puzha and if there is any truth in this report whether it will not be advisable to ask the Travancore Government to wait, lest they may afterwards decline to participate in the making of a bund where we want it.

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

As the matter is in the initial stage of correspondence, Government think that no useful purpose will be served by placing the papers on the table. They are not aware of any arrangement made by the Travancore Government in the matter. As such, they do not think it advisable to ask the Travancore Darbar to wait, as suggested.

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

Sir, I have information from the villagers of Amballur and Kanjiramittam that there is such a move on the part of the Government of Travancore, that the officers of the Public Works Department seem to have come there and created a stir. Will the Government be pleased to enquire into the matter?

President.—What is the source of your information, please?

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

The information is from the villagers on the spot.

President.—That the Travancore Government officers came to the spot and made enquiries and investigations?

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

Yes, Sir.

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

Sir, we have no information as to whether the Travancore officers have come there or not.

Mr. K. S. RAMA AYYAR.

The Government should make enquiries.

President.—Enquiries will be made.

Latrine attached to the Girls' School, Nalleppalli.

Mr A. EACHARA MENON.

34. Will the Government be pleased to state the decision arrived at with regard to the new latrine attached to the Girls'

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School, Nalleppalli, about which loud complaints have been made?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

Orders have been issued to shift the latrine to the site selected by the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer.

List of Travellers' Bungalows and Staff Quarters.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

35. (a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House a list of (i) Travellers' Bungalows, (ii) staff quarters existing in the State?

(b) What is the average income and maintenance expenditure of each of these buildings for the last three years?

(c) Will it not be economical and more convenient to place these buildings under the control of Village Panchayats or Village officers of the respective localities?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

(a) The list is laid on the table. (*Vide Appendix II*).

(b) The average income and maintenance expenditure are shown in the statement annexed to the list. (*Vide Appendix III*).

(c) The Government do not consider that it will promote economy or convenience if the buildings are transferred to Village officers or Village Panchayats. There has been no complaint of inconvenience to anybody on any account under the present arrangement.

Caste-war statement of men in service in the Public Works Department.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW

36. Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) the total number of men in Public Works Department drawing Rs. 20 and above per mensem as salary; and of them

(b) how many are

(i) Brahmins
(ii) Non-Brahmin Caste Hindus
(iii) Tiyyas
(iv) Other non-caste Hindus
(v) Christians
(vi) Muhamedans
(vii) Jews?

Mr. V. K. ARAVINDAKSHA MENON.

(a) The total number of men in the Public Works Department now drawing Rs. 20 and above is 88.

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